

TO THE PEOPLE

EVERYBODY'S MAGAZINE for March with the latest installment of my story "Frenzied Finance" is out today.

BUY IT!

In it I begin the main story of the Crimes of Amalgamation. I take up and handle fittingly, I think, some of the scoundrelly "System" characters—deal with them and—depose them.

Rogers' Man Friday, Denis Donahoe, and the "Martin Expose" they have concocted I swing through the air once, twice, then with a mop-the-gutter motion, drop.

I reach once for James H. Eckels, Ex-Comptroller of the Currency of the United States, the young financial phenomenon, who jiggered the big Cleveland bond issue, now President of the Commercial National Bank of Chicago, and who is steering for the "System" in the West in a split-tongue, mud-slinging, after-dinner sick "Eckels plays Lawson the stock jobber," which the insurance companies are circulating by the million—I reach for him and I think—get him. Anyway it is for you the people, to say.

James M. Beck, Ex-Assistant Attorney General of the United States, valiant "trust-buster" and people's champion, who got such a peep behind the government scenes in the Northern Securities hold-up that he was picked off by Rogers' Rockefeller and "Standard Oil" for legal advice—I think I get three fingers and a thumb over and under his collar and in a jerk, pull and twitch, expose just why James M. Beck is delivering garbage bouquets before college and insurance round-ups in the East, tagged "Beck grills Lawson as a frenzied fakir."

This is the brilliant reformer who came to Boston on the eve of the recent infamous gas trial and was so anxious that I should "match up" my testimony with Rogers. Do you know what "matching up" testimony means?

Other things and people of moment are man-handled and headed for the hospital.

Let me say right here—this number of EVERYBODY'S contains Russell's second chapter on the Beef Trust which it behooves all patriotic Americans to read. If this March number had no "Frenzied Finance," nothing but the Beef Trust story between its covers, I would willingly contribute \$15,000 to \$20,000 worth of advertising to get it into the hands of the people.

Last month's edition of EVERYBODY'S numbered 900,000—unprecedented in the history of general magazine making, an increase of 200,000 over the previous month. Stop and think that this 200,000 increase in itself is much greater than the entire circulation of many of the leading magazines of the country, such as "The Century," "The Cosmopolitan," and "The Review of Reviews."

Still, I calculated that every copy would be sold within three days and that this month's edition should be at least 1,100,000 or 1,200,000. I was mistaken. The West and South stood right up and went ahead and caused my installment to be slow and heavy; that there was not enough raw-edged-and-bloody-boneness about it. Maybe so, but it was the most important chapter I have yet written. It is full of valuable educational material. It was a brain-clearer—absolutely necessary to an understanding of the "System" and the Crimes of Amalgamation. But with the lively chapter in the March issue, and the tremendously hot installments that are to follow, I feel that the halt in the increase (this month's issue is the same as last, 900,000 copies) is but momentary.

Let the American people, as they thumb over this exquisite March number of EVERYBODY'S, ponder what Russell's and my work means.

Ireland at the end of a hundred years of tortured struggle for Home Rule, will probably not attain that before another five or ten have passed.

The French were fifty years trying to exchange their royal collar for the ballots of free men.

It took the stalwart strenuous Yankees a decade to convince Royal George that his room was better than his company.

The Russians have been working their bloody klanoscope night and day in the interest of constitutional government, and are still at it.

Sixty days after the people had "Frenzied Finance" in their hands, the "Standard Oil" monster was compelled after forty years of silence to publicly doff its insolent bonnet to the people.

Three months after the people got their eyes fixed on the devilries of the "System," they elected a President, a people's champion, with a popular majority greater than ever given any of his predecessors.

Four months after "Frenzied Finance" was introduced into American homes three leading insurance companies were discharging their agents in bunches, and the aggregate business of the three was falling off at the rate of \$4,600,000 a week.

After five months, a single blast of truth from one man shook Wall Street to its foundations and over \$200,000,000 of what the people have been taught to believe was real value ran off into the gutter in the form of dirty water.

In six months, for the first time in the history of our country, the President of the United States was able to take by the throat the greatest business combinations and trusts the world has ever known, and shake them until their teeth chattered and their back bones rattled like hung dried corn in a fireplace when the wind gets at it.

In seven months, the greatest national bank in the country, The City Bank of New York, was being hung up by the heels where all the people could see it in a lower and more contemptible transaction than I had even accused it of.

In eight months, one of the greatest insurance companies of America was rent by internal dissensions and its trustees were gouging and mauling each other in a public brawl as to who saw the people's savings fund and who should have the larger part of the loot. Now these trustees of a great and sacred institution are accusing each other of things and hinting at crimes which even I have not touched upon.

And right here, in the beginning of my ninth chapter, Kansas—God bless her—has risen and is sweeping her end of the "System" into the muddy waters of the Missouri to the tune of "Douse the dirty rascal this month's issue of The People should ponder these things as they read this month's issue of

Everybody's Magazine

THOMAS W. LAWSON.

Boston, February 20, 1905.

THE MIDWINTER FAIR.

Balance of \$345.48 Left in the Treasury.

The Kansas Midwinter exposition, after all the accounts were checked up, had a cash net balance on hand of \$345.48, which constitutes this year's earnings of the fair.

The board of directors of the organization met on Monday afternoon at the Parkhurst-Davis building, on First and Kansas avenues, and Secretary Brigham presented a statement concerning the finances. It was accepted.

The ladies who have charge of Ingleside home on Hinton and Tyler streets had the concessions at the exposition. According to the statement, the management were to receive 50 per cent of the proceeds from the booths. The directors yesterday afternoon, however, voted them the entire earnings from their sales.

Secretary Brigham was instructed to secure the Auditorium for another midwinter fair for the dates from January 22 to February 3, 1906. Mr. Brigham made his application to City Clerk Squires today.

The fair altogether was a decided success. Mr. Brigham's report was a credit to the President and Board of Directors. Kansas Midwinter Exposition association.

I have to report as results of the exposition held January 25th to February 15th, 1905, as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand \$1,000.00
Booth space \$35.00
Sale tickets \$100.00
Sale tickets stores, 10c \$30.00
Sale tickets box office, \$20.00
Other sources \$10.00
Total receipts \$1,095.00

EXPENSES.

Expense \$1,135.41
Decorations \$40.33
Printing \$34.00
Music and amusements \$24.00
Illustration \$50.00
Total expenses \$1,283.74

Balance \$1,345.48
One thousand dollars of this balance is cash on hand. Deducting this amount leaves a net balance of \$345.48, which constitutes the earnings of the fair.

CIGAR TALKS.

How Geo. W. Stansfield Can Sell as Good a Cigar as the Chief for \$5.

"You want me to talk about cigars?" said Geo. W. Stansfield. "I think the better way is to let our cigars talk for themselves," he continued. "There is one cigar in our case, the 'Wadsworth Bros.' Cigar, which is a lot of talking, even shouting. I consider myself fortunate in getting the agency for it, as it is a really equal to any 10c cigar, and it costs only 5c."

"You see I buy it direct from the maker, and the middleman does not get any profit. At any rate, it is becoming the best seller in our case, and people who heretofore would have nothing but a 10c or even 15c cigar, ask for a 5c, and say they like it. Better try one yourself and see how good it is."



ADMIRAL TOGO AND HIS MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.

Vice Admiral Togo of the Japanese navy is just now one of the most talked about men in the world by reason of his recent mysterious disappearance, accompanied by a powerful fleet. It is generally assumed that he is on the lookout for that portion of the Baltic fleet commanded by Admiral Rojestvensky of Dogger bank fame. If he should succeed in meeting the Russian result would be almost a foregone conclusion, for Togo's fleet is not only more powerful, but much faster and better equipped, than that of his enemy, to say nothing of the fact that most of his sailors are veterans of several hard fought sea battles.

MR. PATTISON HERE.

Making Arrangements to Start on Natural Gas Mains.

Mr. C. H. Pattison, one of the principal stockholders in the Home Heat and Light company, which holds the franchise of the Continental Oil and Gas company, granted by the city council about a year and a half ago, was in the city Monday arranging for the preliminary details in connection with the laying of gas mains, commencing at the corner of Seward avenue and Chandler street, in Oakland.

Mr. Pattison had secured permission from the city engineer last week to start the work of laying the mains by furnishing a local bond, which is necessary under the city ordinances before any excavations can be made in the city's streets.

This bond will be filed and Mr. Pattison, who is from Kansas City, was here partly on that purpose also. The surety company which is to furnish the bond has encountered some delay. Some of the pipe has already arrived in the city, a portion of a shipment of three carloads. This will be sufficient to line several blocks. The route into the city has as yet not been decided, but is awaiting the report of the engineer in the employ of the company. It is expected that the report will be forthcoming in a very short time. The work of laying the pipe mains commenced today and will be continued at slow rate until the main body of workmen arrive from Coffeyville, where the company is engaged in placing a pipe line.

The main pipe line which the Kansas Natural Gas company proposes to lay from its fields in southern Kansas and which will run to Ottawa, branch into Kansas City and Topeka, will soon be actively pushed according to the statement of Mr. Pattison. The branch line supplying Lawrence, Topeka and intermediate towns is expected will touch Topeka in Oakland near Seward avenue and Chandler street.

The stock in the Home Heat and Light company is owned principally by three men, J. J. Helm, C. H. Pattison, and A. Kahlan. The former is a well known Topeka man and need no introduction. Kahlan was formerly second vice president of Great Western railway and has still the interest in the same. He lives at St. Paul.

NEW ELECTION BILL.

Rushed Through the Senate Today Without Amendment.

The senate committee of the whole this morning refused to adopt the amendment offered by Senator Waggoner, to Senator Young's election bill, that "the evident intention of the voter shall control notwithstanding any defect in the ballot."

The committee of the whole then recommended the bill, with few changes, for passage by the senate. This election bill is much the same as the present law excepting the following provisions and rules to be printed on the ballot:

"Extending across the entire width of the ballot, and at the top thereof, the following instructions to voters shall be printed in plain type:

"First—If you desire to vote a straight party ticket, make a cross X mark in the circle as before, and then make a cross X mark in the square to the right of the names of such other candidates as you wish to vote for, found under any other party name."

"Second—If you prefer not to vote a straight party ticket, but wish to vote for a majority of the candidates on any party ticket, make a cross X mark in the square to the right of the name of such candidates as you wish to vote for, and nowhere else on the ballot."

"Third—If you prefer not to vote any party ticket, then make the cross X mark in the square to the right of the name of such candidates as you wish to vote for, and nowhere else on the ballot."

"Fourth—If you desire to vote for a name not on the ballot, write the name in the blank column, and make a cross X mark in the square to the right of such name."

The rule was suspended, an emergency declared, and the bill was passed on third reading and was passed by the senate.

THOSE GAS PUMP BILLS

Made Special Order in Senate for Thursday.

The senate committee on oil and gas this morning made two reports on the gas pumping bill. The two reports were received and the gas pumping bills were made a special order for Thursday at 2:30 o'clock.

The majority report, signed by Senators Nottger, Dumont, Smith, Huchow and Brewster, was that the senate bill, which does not prohibit the use of pumps in the transporting of gas, be recommended for passage. The minority report, signed by Senators Samuel Porter, Benedict, and J. L. Martin, was that the Holden house bill which prohibits the use of pumps be passed.

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Demonstration of "Carnation Cream" at our store this week.

MRS. GRAY GIVES UP.

Deserted Bride Leaves for Her Home in Iowa.

Mrs. H. M. Gray, the bride of two weeks, who was deserted by her husband, after he had "worked" her for \$300, left this morning for her home at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

On Monday afternoon she received the following letter from her spouse. She paid no attention to it, however, thinking it only a decoy.

It follows:

Kellerton, Ia., Feb. 2, 1905.

Mrs. Howard Gray—

I will drop you a few lines today if I don't get to Mt. Pleasant today. I will start a foot the train is snowbound here. I will be in St. Joe the last of the week if the trains run. I think I will write to you to meet me there I think everything is all right. I will send you that bank check and if you take it to the bank get it cashed and pay the bill at the house and I will meet you at some place between here and there you don't need that check that I written just take the paper that I send you will close hoping this will find you well.

H. M. Gray left for her home, broken hearted. She gave up the case entirely and told the Topeka police officers to do the same.

INSANE AT AGE OF 13.

Pretty Little Girl Who Is a Hopeless Maniac.

The most pathetic insanity case on record with the county officials was called to their attention this morning.

Cladya Jackson, a very pretty little white girl, 13 years of age, was brought to the jail at the request of her parents who live at 1136 Kansas avenue in North Topeka. For some time past she has been suffering from mental trouble, and her parents finally decided to turn her over to the authorities today, because she was becoming violent.

She was locked up in the padded cell on the second floor. After being placed inside she tore practically all of her clothes from her body.

The jailer went upstairs and handed her the warrant for her arrest, as much to her surprise. She took the warrant with a neat little bow, and said "Thank you," as sweetly as any child could. A moment later she was again babbling deliriously.

The strange thing about the case is her youth. There is not a case on record at the probate judge's office in this county where anyone of the age of 13 was ever arrested for insanity.

"We never had as young a person as that before," said Probate Judge Hayden. "It is very unusual."

BEGINS TO FAST.

President Harper Prepares for the Surgeon's Knife.

Chicago, Feb. 21.—President W. B. Harper, by using the surgeon's knife, was today prepared to undergo a surgical operation to be performed tomorrow.

Tomorrow morning a mass meeting of students and faculty will be held in the university chapel for prayer service for Dr. Harper. The operation probably will take place during the afternoon. Mr. Harper was resting comfortably today.

To Prison for Life.

Mason, Mich., Feb. 21.—Mrs. Carrie Joslyn, who pleaded guilty to murdering her husband by poison, and Isaac Swan, her paramour and former farm hand, for the same crime, were both sentenced today to life imprisonment in the state prison at Jackson.

Swan was convicted of murder principally on the evidence of Mrs. Joslyn.

Great Smoke, Water and Fire Sale at The Pitwell Shoe Co., 505 Kan. ave.

A wonderful tonic for the sick and afflicted. Get strength, health and happiness by using Houlter's Rocky Mountain Tea this month. A bracing family medicine. 35 cents. Tea or Tablets. Galtin Drug Co.

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A great opportunity to see Old Mexico. Tickets on sale March 4, 5, 6 and 7. Tickets limited 30 days from date of sale. Stopovers in either direction. For full information and literature address T. L. KING, C. P. & T. A., Topeka.

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40c, 50c and 60c on the dollar is the price on our entire stock of high-grade shoes. Slippers, Overshoes, Rubber Boots, Felt Boots, etc., for men, women and children. Don't miss this sale.

Some people have the taking-cold habit.

The old cold goes; a new one quickly comes. It's the story of a weak throat, weak lungs, a tendency to consumption. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral breaks up the taking-cold habit. It strengthens, heals. Consult your own doctor about this.

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